

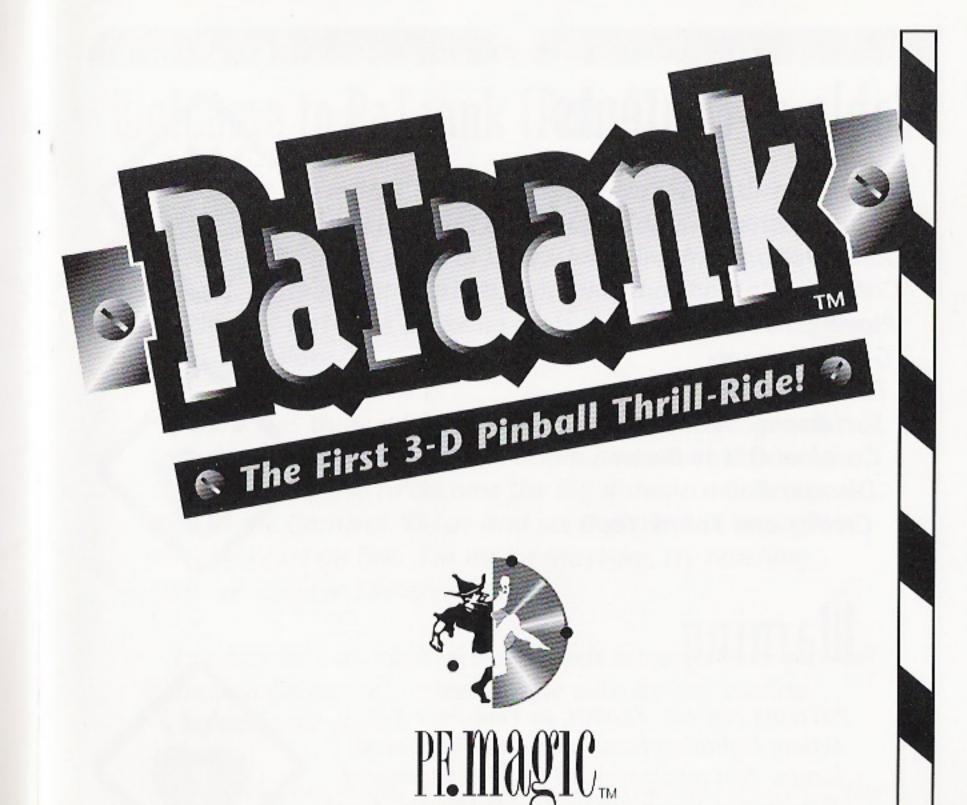
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# Warning

PaTaank contains Explicit, In-Your-Face 3-D Action, Lightning-Fast Turns and High-Speed Jumps. Not recommended for Mild-Mannered, Lily-Livered, Weak-Kneed, Feeble-Minded, Faint-Hearted Folks with Bad Backs, Bad Breath or Bad Gas.



### Welcome to PaTaank (Puh-TONK)

You're about to embark on a high speed thrill-ride through 3 levels of kinetic bone jarring 3D pinball. You'll experience this game from the ball's point of view, slamming into walls and bumpers, crashing into targets, and blasting through tunnels and chutes. PaTaank is like no pinball game you've ever seen or played before.

PaTaank has three unique pinball levels to challenge you. Take the challenge of the Surf Room and shoot the curl on the ultimate wave to become the Big Kahuna. Or test your skill in the Carnival 'O Luv and see if you're hot enough to set the heart on fire. For major mayhem, try reaching critical stage in Disaster Central.

You can take on each of these levels separately, or play all three together in the MetaGame with its hair raising tunnels and chutes.

So pick your game, strap yourself in and get ready for the pinball thrill-ride of your life!

## **Getting Started**

After the opening screens, you may skip the introductory animation by pressing any button on the control pad.

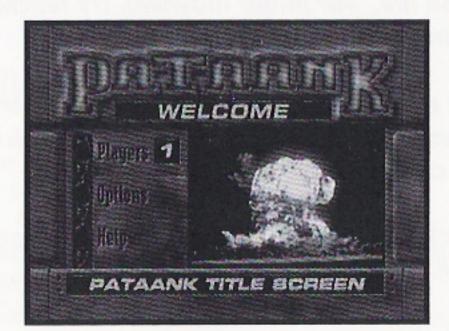
At the main menu you can choose the single player mode or select up to 4 players to compete against for high score. You can also go to the Options or Help menus from the main menu.

To return to this menu from the other menus, press STOP.



To begin a game from this menu, press START.





### Game Options











Difficulty - Easy Mode - a good way to learn the ropes.

- Pucks
- Thrusts



- Magnetos - Gravity
- large area normal pull
- small - Drain

Hard Mode - for those who can rely on skill alone.

- Pucks

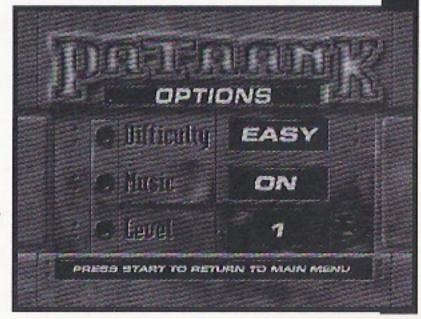
- Thrusts small area Magnetos - Gravity strong pull
- Drain large

### Music -

Toggles music and voice on and off.

### Levels -

You may choose to play a single game level, or all three at the same time (MetaGame).

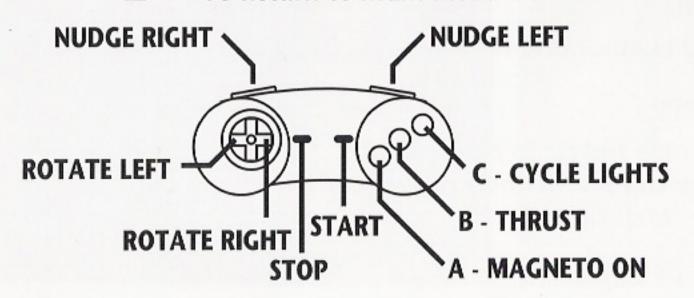


# Control D D D D

### Control Pad

- Left/Right
- A button
- B button
- C button
- Left/Right shift

- Rotates puck left/right 90 degrees
- Turns on magnetos (while held)
- Thrusts puck forward (limited #)
- Cycles lane lights and target lights
- Nudges puck left /right
- (Nudging increases your chance of tilting the game.
- If you tilt, your puck will drain.)
- Start button
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- To Begin Game, or Pause during game
- Stop button
- To Return to Main Menu from other menus



# Playing Screen Features

PLAYE	R 3 4404000	****	25	033000
Player	Score	Pucks	Thrusts	High Score
Score	- To the far left is the current player's score.			
Pucks	<ul> <li>You have 5 pucks in easy mode and 3 in hard mode.</li> <li>Each time you drain, you lose one of your pucks.</li> <li>If you drain in the first 10 seconds of play, you won't lose your puck and can try again.</li> <li>Free pucks may be won in each level.</li> </ul>			
Thrusts	<ul> <li>When you start each puck has a limited number of thrusts.</li> <li>Magnetos recharge your puck with small amounts of thrust power.</li> <li>Larger recharges can be scored through</li> </ul>			
	specials in each l		orea unrougi	
High Score	-To the far right is	the curren	t high score	for this session.
	To position the score display	properly on y	our television, pre	ess Pause,

then position the display using the up or down arrows.

### Game Elements

### Magnetos

- The blue areas on the floor are magnetos.
- Holding the A button turns on the magnetos. (You can release the A button, once you've landed on a magneto.)
- When a magneto is on, it will attract your puck if it's nearby and capture it. The only way to leave a magneto is to thrust off of it.

### Drain

- Gravity is constantly at work pulling you backwards towards the drain.
- The drain is always behind you, so listen for the warning siren. When you hear the warning, use thrust (B button), or press and hold the A button and catch a magneto.
- Some drains are equipped with blockers that you can set with the right combination of moves. Blockers are only temporary.

### Bonus Multiplier Lanes



- Each level has a set of three lanes at the top of the playfield. Light up all three lanes to advance the bonus multiplier.

### Tunnels

- In single level play, the tunnels take your puck from the top of the game level back to the bottom where the puck re - enters.



- In the MetaGame the tunnels take you to the Nexus which connects all three levels.

### Targets

- Anything can be a target. As a rule, hit flashing items.



- As you become more proficient, you'll learn which targets are worth the most, and you can plan your shots around specials and bonuses.

Objectives - Each game level has its own objective, and to win you must rack up points by hitting targets and collecting bonuses and jackpots.

### The MetaGame



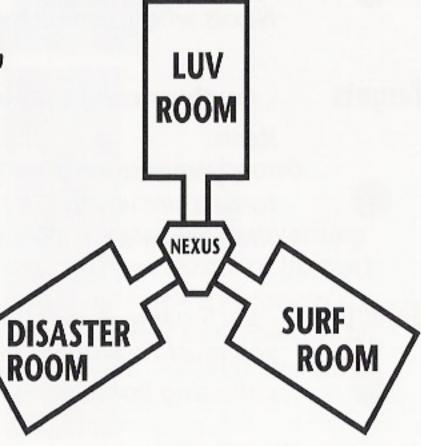
-To win the MetaGame you must visit all three levels and achieve the Super Special in each:

> Surf Room: Become the Big Kahuna Carnival O Luv: Set the Heart on Fire Disaster Level: Destroy Disaster Central

After completing each level, proceed to the Nexus through the nearest tunnel.

#### The Nexus

 PaTaank's central exchange. Choose your next level by entering the appropriate door.



### Hall of Fame

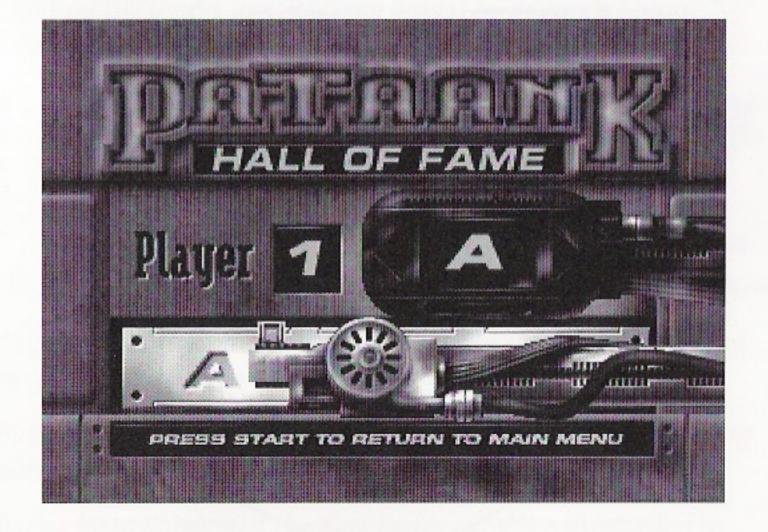




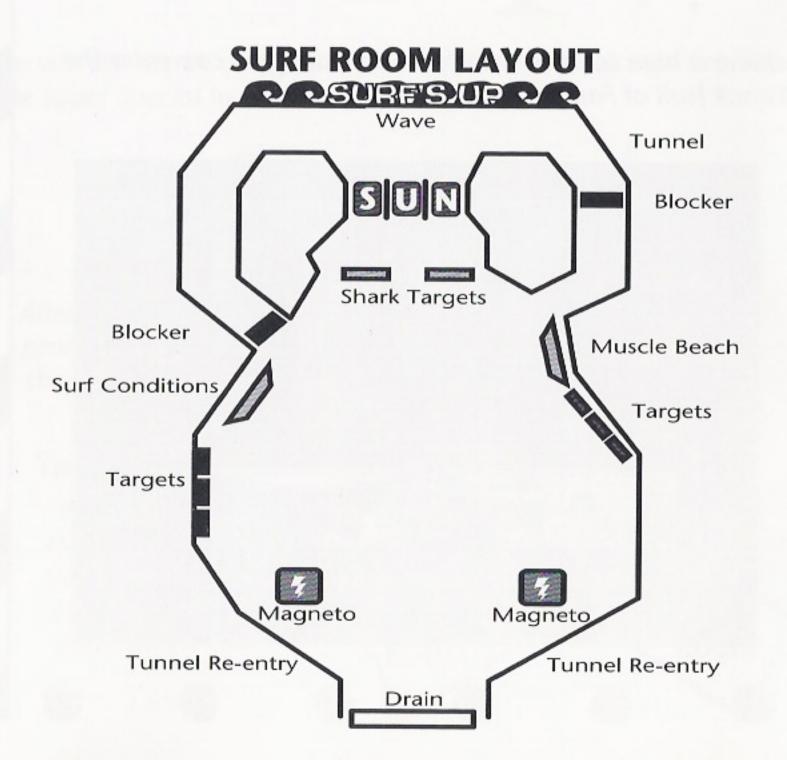




- Achieve a high score in the MetaGame and you can enter the PaTaank Hall of Fame!



# Surf Room Layout





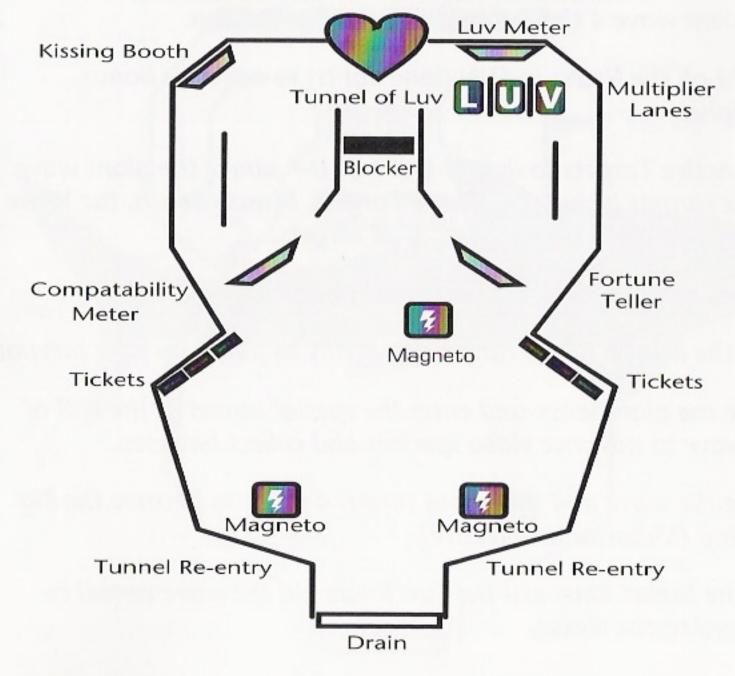
- OBJECTIVE: Become the Big Kahuna. Spell SURF'S UP and surf the giant wave 4 times to become the Big Kahuna.
- Light all the letters in SUN (lane lights) to advance bonus multiplier.
- Hit Active Targets to light S-U-R-F-S -U-P above the giant wave. Active targets include the Shark Targets, Muscle Beach, the Wave Meter, and the flashing "feet" wall targets.
- Check out the Surf Conditions for random bonuses.
- Hit the Muscle Beach target repeatedly to pump up your jackpot.
- Ride the giant wave and enter the special tunnel at the end of the wave to advance video specials and collect bonuses.
- Ride the wave and the bonus tunnel 4 times to become the Big Kahuna (MetaGame objective).
- In the MetaGame, exit the Surf Room via the wave tunnel to proceed to the Nexus.

# Carnival O' Luv Room Layout





### CARNIVAL O' LUV LAYOUT



## Carnival O'Luv





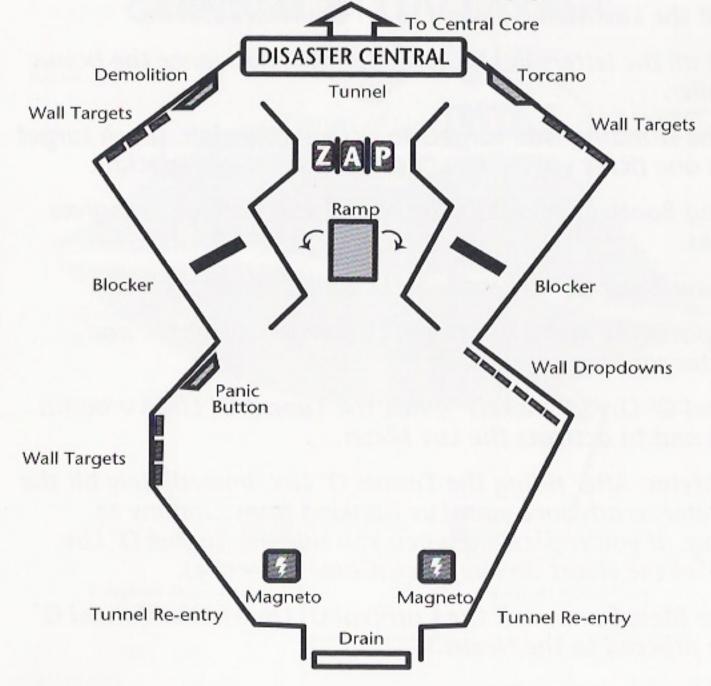


- OBJECTIVE: Set the giant Heart on Fire. Ride the Tunnel O' Luv and hit the Luv Meter 4 times to set the Heart on Fire.
- Light all the letters in LUV (lane lights) to advance the bonus multiplier.
- Hit the standing wall targets to activate specials. Each target equals one ticket value. Use "tickets" to activate specials.
- Kissing Booth (1 "ticket"): Recharges your energy and gives bonuses.
- Fortune Teller (2 "tickets"): Activates random specials.
- Compatibility Meter (4 "tickets"): Advances Jackpot and activates random specials.
- Tunnel O' Luv (6 "tickets"): ride the Tunnel O' Luv for bonus points and to activate the Luv Meter.
- Luv Meter: After riding the Tunnel O' Luv, immediately hit the Luv Meter to advance your Luv Ranking from Clammy to Sizzling. If you're Sizzling when you ride the Tunnel O' Luv, you'll Set the Heart on Fire (MetaGame objective).
- In the MetaGame, exit the Carnival O' Luv via the Tunnel O' Luv to proceed to the Nexus.

# Disaster Room Layout 🥯 🛸



#### DISASTER ROOM LAYOUT



# Disaster Central 🛖 😩







- OBJECTIVE: Destroy Disaster Central. Spell DISASTER and hit the Panic Button to enter Disaster Central. Disable Central Core and return to main room 4 times to destroy Disaster Central.
- Light all letters in ZAP (lane lights) to advance bonus multiplier.
- Hit drop targets to activate ramp.
- Use the ramp (when active) to hit special warning symbols and trigger Torcano\* and Demolition Specials.
- Hit standing targets, drop targets, and specials to spell D-I-S-A-S-T-E-R.
- When DISASTER is lit, hit the Panic Button to activate the special shot to Disaster Central.
- When in Disaster Central, hit all 6 sides of the rotating Central Core (changing them from green to red) to trigger an Omni Destruction Mode special.
- During the Omni Destruction Mode special, hit all flashing targets to activate video specials and collect bonus points!
- Each Omni Destruction Mode special advances your Crisis Level. Advance crisis level to critical to blow up Disaster Central (MetaGame objective).
- In the MetaGame, use the ramp to proceed to the Nexus after blowing up Disaster Central.

<sup>\*</sup>A Torcano is a combination Tornado and Volcano, which, while quite rare, can be very nasty! A Torcano is also a fiery beverage popular with the PaTaank development team.

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